GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LABOUR
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3156
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ACTION AGAINST INSTITUTIONS NOT DEPOSITING PROVIDENT FUND
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Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that employees in the public sector have not been paid their provident fund, ESI, gratuity, bonus etc. in time;

(b) if so, the action taken by the Government to safeguard the interests of the employees to get the amounts released to them without delay; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI MUNI LALL)

(a) : There are cases in which some public sector undertakings have failed to discharge their statutory liabilities of Provident Fund, Employees State Insurance etc.

(b) & (c) : Necessary legal and penal action as provided under the ESI Act and the EPF & MP Act is already being taken by the concerned authorities to recover the dues from the defaulting Public Sector Undertakings. As regards gratuity and bonus, the employees including those in PSUs can file claims before the appropriate authority prescribed under the respective Acts.